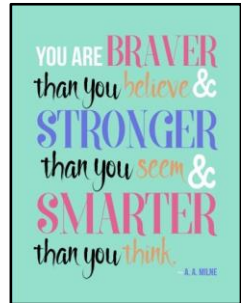




St Gregory's Catholic Academy Curriculum Newsletter Year 6

Spring Term



ClassDojo

Remember to keep up to date with all the latest information on Class Dojo. Please feel free to contact me via Dojo or if it is a longer chat you require then the office will be more than happy to make a phone call appointment.

Wellbeing

We will continue to focus on our own mental health and wellbeing, as well as how to support each other during these unprecedented times. From this, we will have lots of discussion around our feelings and how to deal with feelings or worry.

Religious Education

Our first RE topic this term is 'Sources', which is focuses on the Bible. The children will learn more about the Bible and understand that it is a story spread over more than two thousand years of God's love and how God's people responded to that love.

The next topic will be Islam, where the children will learn about the key aspects of the Muslim faith. They will find out about special places linked to Islam and about key festivals in Muslim life.

Our next focus will be on Unity and the Eucharist. The children will learn about the Eucharist and how it enables the Christian family to live and grow in communion every day.

Within our Death and New Life topic, we will focus on the seasons of Lent, Holy week and Easter and how the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus led to new life.



English

Over this term, based on our class texts, 'Francis' and 'Alma', we will write a range of narrative pieces including a setting description, character description, internal monologue, dialogue, a journal and a description of a mythical creature. All of this evidence will be used towards writing assessment and the level your child achieves at the end of Year 6. We will also use the text 'The Three Little Pigs' to write newspaper reports and witness statements to gather further evidence towards our final assessment. Our Class Novels will be Room 13 by Robert Swindells and Rooftoppers by Katherine Rundell.



Maths

During spring term, we will be concentrating on fractions, decimals and percentages, ratio, algebra, area, perimeter, volume and statistics. We will further consolidate the use of efficient written and mental methods of calculation for all four operations - addition, subtraction, multiplication and division in order to solve a wide range of increasingly complex problems. The children will also investigate, compare and classify geometric shapes based on their properties and sizes and will learn how to find missing angles in triangles and quadrilaterals.



Science Light /Electricity

This term we will be focussing on the physical sciences of light and electricity. During our light topic, the children will investigate how light travels and using this knowledge explain how we see things. They will also investigate why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them. Within the electricity unit, the children will construct simple series circuits to help them to answer questions about what happens when they try different components, for example, switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors. They will also learn how to represent a simple circuit in a diagram using recognised symbols.



Geography and History

In Geography, we will continue our unit on North America, learning about the formation of a canyon and the causes and impact of hurricanes and wildfires in North America. We will also learn about human interaction with the environment focussing on population, food and farming and climate change.

In History, we will study the Victorian Britain and the Industrial Revolution. We will learn what this was and how Britain became the "Workshop of the World". We will also focus on how railways and factories changed Britain as well as what life was like for rich and poor people in Victorian Britain.



The Arts

This term we are studying sculpture in Art. We will revisit the art of making 3d sculptures And explore how the human form is represented through sculptural pieces. In DT, we will use mechanical skills from prior learning to create a moving toy with a cam mechanism. In Music, we will continue our ukulele lessons, learning to play different chords and playing a variety of songs using them.



PE

This term PE will focus on gymnastics and net and wall games. Y6 PE will be on a Tuesday or Thursday.

MFL

This term, in our Spanish lessons, we will focus on where we live, eventually creating a written project all about our town.

RSE

In RSE, we will learn more about life cycles. We will also learn about developing healthy relationships and staying safe online.